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IN TREATING CANCER

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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO AUGUST 21, 2009 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to an August 21, 2009 Office Action issued by the U.S Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the August 21, 2009 Office Action was originally due November 21, 2009. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time. The fee for a three-month extension of time is FIVE HUNDRED AND FIFTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$555.00) and a check in this amount is enclosed. With a three-month extension of time, a response to the August 21, 2009 Office Action is due on February 21, 2010. However, since February 21, 2010 falls on a Sunday, a response filed Monday, February 22, 2010 shall be considered timely. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

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